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TELEGRAPHIC

WINNIPEG, Dec. 22, 1886.

Parnell is seriously ill.
Montreal is threatened with another flood.
The Bulgarian squabble is still unsettled.
The Winnipeg mayoralty election is to be contested.

A movement is on foot for the formation of an art museum at Ottawa from contributions by the ladies of Canada as a means of celebrating the Queen's jubilee.

John Lester Kaye is negotiating at Ottawa for ten tracts of 20,000 acres each in the North West for model farms.

A conservative morning paper will shortly be published by the Manitoba printing company, to be called the Western Mail.

A quantity of war material for the Pacific coast has been shipped via the C. P. R. by the Imperial government, and has passed through Winnipeg.

The troubles in Ireland continue, and arrests and outrages are frequent occurrences. A policy of coercion seems to have been definitely decided upon.

The Campbell divorce case petitions have been dismissed, the jury holding that there had been adultery on both sides. The costs are given against Lord Collin Campbell.

Mayor Beauregard of Montreal and Geo. Oakes of the C. P. R. have returned from a trip to the Pacific coast. Oakes says the C. P. R. is promoting interprovincial trade, among other things in the shipment of beer from Calgary to Victoria.

A caucus of supporters of the Norway government was held in Winnipeg yesterday to review the situation. Glass has been sent for St. Clement's, but Rockwood is still in doubt. It is thought a special return will be made in the latter constituency.

The political campaign is still being actively prosecuted throughout the province of Ontario, and federal ministers are addressing meetings nightly. The nominations took place yesterday. Three elections by acclamation—Stewart, conservative, in Dufferin and Snider and Clark, liberals, in North Waterloo and East Wellington.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 23, 1886.

Gladstone has announced his hostility to the anti-entailment campaign adopted by Dillon and O'Brien in Ireland.

Lord Randolph Churchill has resigned from the British ministry owing to some disagreement with his colleagues.

A number of half-breeds at Batoche who took part in the rebellion have forwarded affidavits to the federal government that there would have been no rebellion but for Riel, and the majority of them agree that Riel was sane.

CALGARY, Dec. 24, 1886.

Bishop Grandin has gone to Winnipeg.
An Orange lodge was organized here on the 22nd.

The first car of hard coal from the mountains arrived last week.

The Leithbridge mines are turning out 300 tons of coal a day and running three trains daily.

Thursday's western express met with a serious accident near Field station just beyond the summit of the Rockies. While ascending the heavy grade a coupling broke and the coach and baggage car ran backward down the grade, missed the safety switch and were smashed on the rocks. The following are some of the injured: Jas. Neville, died of injuries and brought to Calgary; McGrath, W. Tilley, and Thos. Riddell of Kamloops slightly injured; John Munro, eye torn out and wound in forehead, will probably recover; McAdams injured in the back, it is impossible to say how badly.

BATTLEFORD, Dec. 24, 1886.

Merry Xmas.
Weather cold, 25 below last night.

Large freight trains still coming in.

Christmas supplies in great variety arrived on Monday and a good Christmas trade was done.

The public school examination yesterday showed good progress by the scholars. In the evening a number of valuable prizes were distributed.

A conservative association was formed here on Tuesday, but no active steps have been taken to bring out or endorse any candidate.

A HANDSOME pamphlet of 100 pages on scientific dairy practices arrived by this mail. It is written by W. H. Lynch, printed by A. S. Woodburn of the Ottawa Journal and is published with assistance from the parliament of Canada. It is apparently a most useful work, containing a vast amount of information, neatly expressed, well arranged and finely printed.

LOCAL.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Fur trade very good.

Clear, cold and calm.

Just enough snow for sleighing.

No passengers out by Thursday's stage.

PRAIRIE chickens are reported plentiful near town.

JAS. WALSH, fur buyer, arrived from the south on Monday.

DR. JAS. H. TOFTELD arrived from Regina and Calgary by Monday's stage.

ALEX. Cameron of Sturgeon river has been appointed a justice of the peace.

THE new telegraph line is completed 36 miles beyond Fort Saskatchewan.

WHITEFISH from the lakes around Edmonton are in good demand in Calgary.

MRS. H. S. YOUNG and three children arrived from Lac la Biche on Tuesday.

ROBERT DENNISON is erecting a frame building on his lots near Norris & Carey's store.

THIS week's stage reports no sleighing south of Miller's, and poor sleighing this side.

REV. J. A. MCLACHLAN arrived from Victoria on Tuesday and left again on Thursday.

REPORTED that a collision took place on Friday between two freight trains on the C. P. R. near Regina.

ON Friday morning at Battleford telegraph office the thermometer stood 62 below and at Prince Albert 57 below.

KEYES & ROBINSON of Calgary are about to issue a sixteen page monthly to be called The Alberta Live Stock Journal.

D. McLEOD's sleighs arrived Thursday evening with freight for Norris & Carey, J. A. McDougall, Ross Bros. and others.

LYOYD & CONNORS have purchased a lot from Rev. Mr. Baird fronting Norris & Carey's store, and are preparing to build on it.

BATTLEFORD's skating rink is frozen at last, and a thin scum of ice is reported from the region immediately underlying that burgh.

THE Saskatchewan Herald says that D. H. Macdowell, O. E. Hughes and D. Laird are candidates for the commons for Saskatchewan.

A BRITISH Columbia company intends to apply for power to build a railway from Old Bow Fort on the C. P. R. by way of Kananaskis pass to Kootenay lake.

A LETTER from General Strange dated Dec. 14th says that as the elections are likely to be postponed he desires to discontinue his election notice for the present.

THE Montreal Star says it is believed in certain circles that the Ottawa government will not ratify the terms of the new distribution bill passed by the North West Council.

REPORTED that Lieut. Governor Dewdney is to visit Edmonton shortly. Judging from the amount of permit whiskey that has been getting in its work lately the report is correct.

THE turkey shooting match at Chabot's Half-Way house on Wednesday resulted in W. S. Robertson getting one turkey and A. R. Lang another, the only two that were captured.

THERE were thirteen competitors in the turkey shooting match at D. E. Noyes' Long Lake hotel. W. S. Robertson captured two, J. Looby one, R. Secord one and W. R. Lloyd one.

THE new buildings for Peace hills Indian agency are completed and the agent moved into his house last week. The buildings are on the bank of Battle river about two miles east of the leaving of the Bow river trail.

DR. McINNIS president, Miss C. A. Robertson vice-president, P. G. Gray secretary, were the officers elected Thursday evening at the Poplars for the new literary and musical association, to be known as the Apollo club. Next meeting Thursday evening Dec. 30th.

THE December number of the Emigrant is the best that has yet appeared. It is full of interesting and useful information regarding Manitoba and the North West. A leading feature of the number is a beautifully illustrated little poem "Christmas Dreams," by Mrs. M. A. Nicolls of Mooseomin.

A COPY of the Canadian Militia Gazette of Ottawa was received by last mail. It is an eight-page weekly, in its second year of publication, very tastefully got up in a slightly modified English style, and contains matter of much interest to the volunteer force of Canada. If there was a branch of the force at Edmonton the Bulletin would gladly commend the Gazette to the consideration of its members.

LOOSE MAN, the Indian held for trial for connection with the Cowan and Melvor murders in '85, escaped from police custody at Fort Saskatchewan on Friday morning and had not been captured at last accounts. The method of his escape is not known, except that he slipped the shackles off his feet.

THE POPLARS private school was closed for the holidays on Friday morning, to open again on Tuesday January 4th. The pupils took the opportunity to present the teacher Miss C. A. Robertson with a kind and complimentary address and a ladies' work-basket in appreciation of her enterprise in establishing and ability in conducting the school.

THE Canada Gazette contains notice of application for the consolidation of the acts relating to the Souris and Rocky Mountain and North West Central railway companies, to define the route of the railway, and for other purposes. Also a notice of application for a railway charter from some point on the C. P. R. west of Brandon to Battleford. Also for a railway charter from Golden city on the Columbia river, up the Columbia to the Upper Columbia lake, thence down Kootenay river to St. Mary's river, thence to Cranburgh.

THE Christmas tree festival of the Methodist Sunday school held in the church yesterday evening was well attended, although the night was cold, the seating capacity of the building being fully occupied. The walls were decorated with spruce boughs, etc., and the trees loaded with presents gave the usual gay appearance to the scene. Rev. Mr. Howard acted as chairman. The following is the programme of the entertainment: Instrumental trio by Miss Phillips, organ, Dr. McInnis, flute and W. H. Carson, cornet; recitations by Geo. Tate, Maggie McCauley and Jas. Ross; vocal quartette by Rev. Mr. Howard, W. H. Carson, Dr. McInnis and Frank Osborne; recitations by Lily McCauley and Olive Ross; instrumental solo by J. R. Michael; Recitation by Simonee Lee, The Drummer Boy; Recitations by Eliza McDonald, Emma Rowland, Katie McDonald, Kitty Verey and Alex. McCauley; instrumental duet by Miss Phillips and Dr. McInnis; recitation by Maggie Hardisty; vocal quartette by E. Raymer, Frank Osborne, W. H. Carson and J. H. Graham; recitation by Rev. Mr. Howard; song, to the children, Wm. McKernan; distribution of presents; instrumental trio by Miss Phillips, W. H. Carson and Dr. McInnis; God Save the Queen by the company. Receipts at the door \$39.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

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A meeting will be held in the Poplars on Tuesday evening the 4th of Jan. at 7:30, to discuss the formation of a night school.

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" " White " "	8.00
" " Black Oats	8.00
" " White " "	8.00
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No entry fee. Competition open to all.

CONDITIONS:

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EDMONTON BULLETIN, DEC. 25, 1886.

ELECTIONS.

WHETHER the elections in the North-West are to be held before or after another session of parliament may safely be said to depend on one of two things: (1) If the Ontario opposition are victorious on the 28th inst. there will almost certainly be a dissolution of the federal parliament at once, and the North-West elections will come off not more than three weeks later than those in the rest of the country. (2) If the Ontario government is sustained there will be another session of the present parliament, in which case it will depend upon the prospect of electing four straight government supporters whether the North-West is represented at that session or not. During that session every preparation will be made for the contest that must come off not later than next August. What the character of that preparation will be may be judged by the preparations made for the elections of '82, when the North-West was parcelled out into colonization tracts—bribes to retain the ministry in office. What has been the result of that action to the North-West in general and this district in particular need not be dwelt upon. The necessities of the ministry are greater now than then. The natural inference is that they will go to greater lengths now to retain power—that the North-West will be sacrificed more lavishly, squandered more unscrupulously, than ever before. That the old monopolies passing out of existence by force of circumstances will be given renewed life, and others created in number and extent only limited by the demands made. That this may be done with a good grace it will be necessary to have members from the North-West who will consent to the spoliation; and if such members cannot be got then there will be no members. This accounts for the efforts being put forth in all the constituencies to secure straight party men—men who will allow their constituents to be sacrificed for the sake of the government to support which they are elected. Even the editor of the Regina Leader who has upon occasion done good service in the popular cause against government oppression has been compelled to toe the scratch as a party man and has accepted a square party nomination. The people of the North-West should consider this matter from the standpoint of their own interest. The question with them is not so much How shall Canada be governed? as How shall the North-West be governed? The position of the North-West in confederation is peculiar, and in so far as it is peculiar it requires special consideration, which only its own representatives free from party ties can or will give. A conservative government or a conservative monopoly will take just as much hard cash out of a conservative voter's pocket as out of that of the most rabid grit, and a grit government or monopoly would perform the same kindly office for the grit as for the conservative voter. Our colonization swindle has always been ready to gobble the land of conservatives as well as grits; the timber sharks will not sell saw logs or lumber to conservatives a cent cheaper than to grits; conservatives have to pay \$2 an acre for their pre-emptions as well as grits; and conservative as well as grit farmers, mechanics, professional men and merchants lose by the non-settlement of the odd-sections, although a conservative government called the colonization company into existence, granted the timber limits, raised the price of pre-emptions and reserved the odd-sections; and if a grit government had done these things the result would have been the same. It is the policy pursued by the government rather than the men who compose it—their acts rather than their professions—that the people of the North-West should consider when they are accorded representation; and the very fact that the active supporters of the government are so anxious to blind the eyes of the people to everything but party is all

the more reason why they should take care that they are not so blinded. The evident importance to the government of securing support from the North-West should be proof to the people of the at least equal importance of securing men who will support them; and the more attempts that are made to confuse the date of the election the more the people should be on the alert and the more thoroughly they should be prepared to express themselves when the time arrives.

THE Regina Leader speaks kindly of the election of Mr. Luxton to the Manitoba legislature for South Winnipeg. This may seem strange in view of the extravagant, unprovoked, and to a great extent unmerited abuse which Mr. Luxton's paper lately showered upon the editor of the Leader. But when it is remembered that it is to this same abuse Mr. Davin owes his unanimous conservative nomination for western Assinibolia, it will be seen that he has every reason to be pleased rather than displeased with the attentions of the F. P. Mr. Davin had better be careful that he does not do for another—a rival—what the F. P. so kindly did for him—abuse him into popular sympathy. J. H. Ross of Moose Jaw is a possible candidate in opposition to Mr. Davin. The Leader alludes to him as "Mr. Jim Ross," does "not think it necessary to discuss him," and insinuates that he offered not to oppose Mr. Davin if the latter refrained from attacking him at the late session of the North-West Council. One of the Leader's correspondents asks: "What has Jim Ross done for Assinibolia?" He is no friend of Mr. Davin who institutes a comparison between what Mr. Ross has done and what has been accomplished by the talented editor of the Leader. In honesty of purpose, in earnest, disinterested and fairly successful efforts in the interests of the people Mr. Davin will not bear comparison with Mr. Ross; and it yet remains to be proved that he has the platform superiority over his opponent that his friends claim for him, and that Mr. Davin would doubtless modestly admit.

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ATHABASCA.

The "Report of Progress" of the geological survey of Canada for the years '82, '83 and '84 was received last mail. It is a very bulky book, finely printed on good paper, with numerous illustrations and accompanied by elaborate maps. The part of most interest to people here is Prof. Bell's report on the geology and topography of the Athabasca river from Biche river to Athabasca lake. Biche river leaves the western extremity of Lac la Poudre and flows in a generally northerly course to the Athabasca 45 miles. It is a small stream but navigable by York boats. The fall from the lake to the Athabasca is 156 feet, the greater part of which is in the last third of the length of the river, which is full of shallow, stony rapids, with banks 50 feet high of mud and shale and thin layers of clay ironstone. At the junction with Biche river the Athabasca is from 150 to 200 yards wide and varies little to the mouth of the Clearwater. It has a uniform current of two to three miles an hour from Athabasca landing 40 miles above the mouth of Biche river to Grand rapid. In the end of August soundings taken between Big Mouth brook and House river varied from 12 to 22 feet. The general course of the river from the Landing to the mouth of Biche river is north-east, from the mouth of Biche river to the Great Bend it is a little east of north, from the Great bend to McMurray at the mouth of the Clearwater it is a little north of east, and from McMurray to lake Athabasca it is almost due north. In straight lines the distance from Biche river to the Grand rapid is 82 miles, thence to the Great bend 6 miles, thence to McMurray 55 miles, thence to lake Athabasca 132 miles, or following the current of the river a total distance of 380 miles. The distances in the stretch of river from the Great bend six miles below the Grand Rapids to McMurray are given as follows: Little Buffalo river, from the left, 7 miles, Burnt rapid 11, Petite Riviere Bouillante, from the right, 21, Drowned rapid 25, Rapide Milieu 27, Rapide Pas-de-Bout 30, Crooked rapid 34, Isle la Biche 36, Cascade rapid 39, Mountain rapid 48, Fort McMurray 55. The Grand rapid is the principal obstruction to the navigation of the Athabasca. It is about half a mile in length with a fall of 20 to 30 feet. There are two islands in it. Loaded boats are sometimes run down the main channel. The canoe portage is on the right bank and is about three-quarters of a mile long, the boat portage passes over the larger island. Leaving the foot of the larger island the river continues broken for a mile and a half, the descent in this distance amounting to 36 feet, but below this the water is smooth for more than 15 miles. At the Burnt rapid the descent is about 8 feet. Rapids begin a mile and a half below the Petite Riviere Bouillante and continue at short intervals to Fort McMurray. The average fall in this part of the river is 5 to 10 feet to the mile. The fall in Crooked rapid and Rock rapid just below it amounts to about 30 feet. The portage at Crooked rapid is 320 paces in length. The river at the Cascade rapid passes over two or three broad ledges or steps of limestone, the descent amounts to 8 or 10 feet. Petroleum is first seen at the Drowned rapid in the form of tar impregnating a layer of fine sandstone into which the river bed cuts at that point to a depth of ten feet. This sandstone bearing petroleum increases in thickness to 100 feet and continues to show in the banks all the way to McMurray. The ordinary heat of the sun causes the tar and sand to soften and flow down the face of the bank in a pitchy mass which afterwards hardens. If put on a wood fire the tar burns with a smoky flame leaving the sand to fall apart in fine grains. In very hot weather the tar oozes out free from sand. Below McMurray on the right bank of the river at 19, 33, 36, 49 and 51 miles distance the tar is found in a liquid state in pools upon the surface of the ground, and is taken from these places for the purpose of making boats and roofs water-tight. The flow of tar from the banks is noticeable for 87 miles below McMurray, the greater flow being from the east bank. A similar deposit of petroleum tar is noticed on the banks of the Clearwater east of the Athabasca and on an island in Peace river to the west, giving a known spontaneous petroleum bearing area of between 190 and 290 miles square. Lignite in seams from two to six feet thick is seen near the top of the bank below Grand rapid and in several places along the river, but it is of poor quality. Clay ironstone is noticed in the banks of the Biche river and in many places along the Athabasca but it is in thin layers and of low grade. Red hematite and magnetic iron ores are found at Black bay and Fond du Lac on lake Athabasca. A slight incrustation of salt was noticed in the high bank at the Crooked rapid, and also at La Saline half a mile east of the Athabasca and twenty-five miles below McMurray. On the upper side of the Little Buffalo river the water of the Athabasca bubbles or "boils" from an supposed an escape of natural gas from below the bed of the river. Limestone suitable for building stone and also for burning is found at many places along both the Athabasca and the Clearwater. There are many mineral springs along the Clearwater having an odor of sulphuretted

hydrogen. Red ochre exists on the west bank of the Athabasca three miles above Big Mouth brook and brown ochre half a mile below Pelican river. Clays for brick making, moulding sand and sand suitable for glass making were seen in many places. Graphite was found on lake Athabasca near Fond du Lac, and gypsum in good quantities near the salt springs. Gold was not found, though searched for carefully on both the Clearwater and Athabasca.

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" " Undressed	30.00
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" dressed and pointed	4.00
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Fairholme, 10th Nov., 1886.

NOTICE.

As a public cemetery has been secured notice is hereby given that no more graves will be opened for interment in the burying ground at the Methodist church.

Dated at Edmonton this 23rd day of November, 1886.

JOHN H. HOWARD.

NOTICE.

The final meeting of the board of directors of the Edmonton Agricultural Association will be held in the school house, Edmonton on Saturday December 18th, 1886, at the hour of 2:30 p.m., to complete all financial business belonging to the Association for this year.

By order,

JOHN H. HOWARD,
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SCHOOL EXAMINATION.

A public examination of the pupils attending in the Edmonton public school was held on Thursday. There were present the school inspector Rev. Mr. Baird, the trustees Messrs. McCauley, Ross and Cameron, Rev. Mr. Howard, and a good number of the parents of the children. The examination was conducted by the teacher W. H. Carson, assisted by Rev. Mr. Baird and others. At the close of the examination—being the last day of the term and also of the teacher's engagement—two deputations of the pupils waited on Mr. Carson with complimentary addresses and presents. The first address was read by Outram Anderson and the presents, a plush photograph album and silver napkin ring, handed by Willie Groat. The second address was read by Percy Henderson and the present, a gentleman's dressing case, handed by Mamie Ross. Mr. Carson in return expressed his thanks and good will towards the pupils. The prizes were then distributed by Rev. Mr. Baird. Prizes were given for standing in the different classes according to the honor roll given below, for regular attendance, and for standing in the reading, writing, spelling, geography, grammar and arithmetic classes. After the prizes had been disposed of addresses were given by Rev. Mr. Baird, Rev. Mr. Howard and Mr. McCauley, who said that since Mr. Carson took charge of the school he had never heard a complaint, and regretted his departure.

Honor roll for the year:

IV. CLASS — 1st Robina Henderson, 2nd Percy Henderson, 3rd John Rowland, 4th Fred. Hudson.

III. CLASS, senior—1st Alex. McCauley, 2nd Nettie Henderson, 3rd Willie Rowland, 4th Willie Kelly.

III. CLASS, junior—1st Chas. Henderson, 2nd Katie Macdonald, 3rd Ediza Macdonald, 4th John Cameron.

II. CLASS—1st Jas. Ross, 2nd Walter Henderson, 3rd Betsy Rowland, 4th Thos. Henderson.

I. CLASS, senior—1st Jennie Lauder, 2nd Maggie Young, 3rd Emma Rowland, 4th Maria Fraser.

I. CLASS, junior—1st Lennie Goodridge, 2nd Henry Macdonald, 3rd Annie McKernan, 4th Fanny Verey.

Regular attendance: 1st Alex. McCauley 175 days, 2nd Jas. Ross 180 days, 3rd Isa Henderson 164 days, 4th Walter Henderson 164 days.

The value of prizes distributed was \$40. Average attendance for December 44½, for the year 40.

THE MacLeod Gazette in the course of a long editorial on the Indian question says: "It is about seven years since the Indians in treaty No. 7 settled down on their reserves, and seven years should be a sufficient length of time upon which to come to a decision regarding the system. In spite of what may be said to the contrary, the experiment has been a decided and dismal failure; and in making this statement we do not by any means condemn the policy of the government." "Taken as a whole the Indians in treaty 7, and we presume other treaties as well, have not made a single step toward becoming self-supporting during all these seven years." "They are recognizing the failure of the existing reserve system in the States, and taking steps to break up the tribal relations of the Indians. We should do the same, and before much more money has been expended in keeping up the old system; the good results of which are represented by a big round O."

A LETTER in the Regina Leader from Chas. Symmes, late of the Peace Hills Indian agency gives the Edmonton and Peace Hills country quite a good send off, although the Leader heads the communication "Peace river" instead of "Peace hills." He says: "Whether one travels over the rich plains, up to his waist in luxuriant grass, or through the immense timber berths of spruce and cottonwood four feet in diameter, or along the great rivers navigable for hundreds of miles; he is always impressed by the wonderful and well assorted resources of the country. Coal seams and timber everywhere line the banks of the North Saskatchewan river, while further off lie vast stretches of prairie dotted with poplar bluffs. It is no wonder that with these advantages the district is steadily prospering and civilization is gradually spreading over that country, in spite of the absence of railroads and other advantages of older and better developed countries."

REV. MR. BRICK of Dunvegan, Peace river, is doing good service in the east by publishing the advantages of that country as a field for settlement. He is working for the establishment of an industrial school and grist mill in connection with his mission. In drawing public attention strongly to Peace river Mr. Brick is assisting Edmonton by pointing it out as the gateway to the Peace river country. As the development of the Edmonton district is helping Calgary so the development of the Peace river district cannot fail to help Edmonton and Calgary as well.

MONTREAL fur market, Trade Bulletin, December 10th: Beaver per lb. \$3.50 to \$4.50, bear per skin \$10 to \$15, cub \$5 to \$6, otter \$9 to \$11, mink \$1 to \$1.25, martin 90c to \$1, fisher \$5 to \$6, lynx \$3 to \$4, skunk 40c to 60c, rat 10c to 12c, fox \$1, cross fox \$2. Good local demand for beaver, otter, bear, skunk, coon and rat during the week. There has been a reduction in the price of otter and beaver for the past two weeks in outside markets, a hint of what country dealers may expect when the local demand ceases.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Weather report for week ending Friday evening, Dec. 24th, 1896. Reported for the BULLETIN by Mr. Alexander Taylor, observer at Edmonton.

	Max	Min.
Saturday.	23	-8
Sunday.	18	16
Monday.	23	0
Tuesday.	8	-6
Wednesday.	2	-14
Thursday.	7	-25 5
Friday.	-3	-22

Barometer falling, 27.682

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